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1. PRESIDENT KORUTURK, DURING HIS TOUR THIS WEEK OF THE BLACK SEA REGION OF TURKEY COMMENTED SEVERAL TIMES ON GOT-SOVIET RELATIONS:

A. ON AUGUST 19, HE NOTED THAT ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THE USSR "ARE DEVELOPING PLEASINGLY A LITTLE MORE EACH DAY." HE SENT HIS "GREETINGS AND GOOD WISHES TO THE HOSPITABLE, ARTLOVING, CHILD-LOVING, FLOWER-LOVING, NEIGHBORING PEOPLE OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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SOVIET UNION."

B. ON AUGUST 20, IN AN APPARENT REFERENCE TO THE SOVIETS, KORUTURK NOTED THAT "WE MUST NO LONGER TOLERATE FOREIGN SHIPS CATCHING TURKEY'S FISH BEFORE EVERYONE'S EYES AND THEN SELLING THEM TO TURKEY. THIS IS EXPLOITATION AND WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANYONE TO EXPLOIT US."

C. HE ALSO NOTED AUGUST 20, THAT HE WAS "VERY PLEASED TO HEAR THAT ALL SORTS OF CONFLICTS HAD BEEN ELIMINATED" ON THE TURCO-SOVIET BORDER. "WE HAVE TO HAVE GOOD RELATIONS WITH OUR NEIGHBORS." HE SAID.

2. HIS SOLE ALLUSION TO THE US (AUGUST 20) WAS NEGATIVE: "FROM NOW ON WE WILL COUNTER THE BETRAYAL WE SAW FROM THE FRIEND, THE ALLY, THROUGH SOLIDARITY."

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